CITY OF GAHANNA LANDSCAPE BOARD MINUTES – September 5, 2007

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Melissa Hyde called the Landscape Board meeting to order on Wednesday, September 5, 2007 at 6 p.m. in the City of Gahanna Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jane Allinder

Mark DiGiando Teresa Woolley Melissa Hyde Joseph Keehner

In attendance from the City Administration was Tony Collins, Director of Parks & Recreation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Allinder made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2007 meeting; seconded by DiGiando. **On roll call vote**: Woolley, Yes, Hyde, Yes, Keehner, Yes, Allinder, Yes, and DiGiando, Yes. **The motion carried 5 - 0 and was approved.**

Discussion; Board member Woolley noted that on page two paragraph three "two or three times a year it will be underwater for a couple of days" – refers to flooding of the island and not the plaza.

Allinder made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2007 Special meeting; seconded by Hyde. **On roll call vote**: DiGiando, Yes Allinder, Yes, Keehner, Yes, Hyde, Yes, and Woolley, Yes. **The motion carried 5 - 0 and was approved.**

Discussion; Board member Allinder noted there was a typo on page 3; paragraph three the word should be choose not choice.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS AMENDED:

Allinder made a **MOTION** to approve the September 5, 2007 agenda; seconded by Hyde. **On roll call vote**: Hyde, Yes, Keehner, Yes, Allinder, Yes, DiGiando, Yes, and Woolley, Yes. **The motion carried 5 – 0 and was approved.**

OLD BUSINESS:

DiGiando requested an update on the Mill Street trees. Collins stated the street trees have been removed along Mill Street. The trees will be replaced with the male Ginkgo tree as recommended previously by the Landscape Board.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Street Tree list

Collins discussed that Rob Wendling, City Forester recommended that the Board make a formal recommendation to Council that the Ash Tree be added to the prohibited street tree list and amend the Comprehensive Landscape Plan and City Code 913.04.

DiGiando made a **MOTION** to approve the recommendation to Council to add the Ash Tree to the prohibited street tree list and amend the Comprehensive Landscape Plan and City Code 913.4; seconded by Allinder. **On roll call vote**: Keehner, Yes, Allinder, Yes, DiGiando, Yes, Woolley, Yes, and Hyde, Yes. **The motion carried 5 – 0 and was approved.**

Tree Ordinance

Collins explained that Dave Reutter from Franklin Soil and Water and a member of the City of Gahanna Storm Water Committee; made a recommendation that the City of Gahanna consider a tree ordinance. Collins distributed the tree ordinance from the City of Westerville for review. Collins discussed reviewing the draft of City Code 913.4 and incorporating a tree ordinance. Creating an ordinance will give the Planning Commission an enforceable tree ordinance.

Hyde requested the Board to review and bring recommendations for a tree ordinance to the October 3, 2007 meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

None

POLL MEMBERS FOR COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

At this time Allinder made a MOTION to adjourn; seconded by DiGiando. **On roll call vote:** DiGiando, Yes, Woolley, Yes, Hyde, Yes, Keehner, Yes and Allinder, Yes. **The motion carried 5 - 0 meeting adjourned.**

The Landscape Board meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.	
Submitted by,	
Pam Crossmock, Administrative Assistant	
Approved this day of 2	007
Melissa Hyde, Chair	

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